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TAGS: PINT IS US  
SUBJ: AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERS BRIEF TOP GOI OFFICIALS

1. LEADERS OF FOUR OF THE LARGEST AND MOST INFLUENTIAL  
AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS, CURRENTLY ON A VISIT  
TO ISRAEL, HAVE MET WITH THE KNESSET FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE, PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AND  
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TOP OFFICIALS FROM HIS OFFICE, DAYAN AND  
FOREIGN MINISTRY STAFFERS, AS WELL AS JEWISH AGENCY  
EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN ARYE DULZIN.

2. THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTS THAT THE AMERICAN JEWISH  
LEADERS HAVE PRESSED THE FOLLOWING POINTS ON THEIR  
LISTENERS.

- ISRAELI GOVERNMENT POSITIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE TO LARGE SEGMENTS OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY AND EVEN LESS SO TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC AS A WHOLE.

- IN THE VIEW OF THE US PUBLIC "ISRAEL DEMONSTRATES PETTY BEHAVIOR, APPEARS TO GET ENMESHED IN MINOR DETAILS, AND GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT IT DOES NOT STRIVE TO ATTAIN PEACE." (JERUSALEM POST)

- THE CHIEF PROBLEMS THE AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERSHIP HAS ENCOUNTERED IN ITS INFORMATION WORK ON ISRAEL'S BEHALF HAVE BEEN THE QUESTION OF 242 AND ONGOING SETTLEMENT IN THE OCCUPIED AREAS. THE AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERSHIP IS COMFORTABLE WITH THE ALIGNMENT INTERPRETATION OF 242, AND IMPLIES THAT THEY SIMPLY WILL NOT EXERT THEMSELVES TO COMMUNICATE TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC A MORE HARDLINED INTERPRETATION.

- PRESIDENT CARTER ENJOYS MAJORITY SUPPORT FOR HIS MIDDLE EAST POLICY.

- THE WHITE HOUSE HAS INDICATED THAT IF ISRAEL WERE TO DEMONSTRATE GREATER FLEXIBILITY "AMERICAN PRESSURE WOULD BE TURNED AGAINST THE OTHER PARTY". (HAARETZ)

- THE JEWISH LEADERS EXPRESSED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR STRONG OPPOSITION CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE ARMS PACKAGE DEAL. ON THIS ISSUE THERE IS NO DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THEM AND THE ISRAELI LEADERSHIP.

3. MARGALIT OF HAARETZ REPORTS THAT THE AMERICAN LEADERS' MESSAGE LEFT A DEEP IMPRESSION ON THE KNESSET COMMITTEE. MK AMNON RUBENSTEIN (DMC) SUGGESTED THAT THE VISITORS EXPRESS THEIR CONCLUSIONS PUBLICLY BUT WAS OVERRULED.

4. THE DELEGATION IS COMPRISED OF HOWARD SQUADRON AND NAOMI LEVINE OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS; RICHARD MAAS AND BERTRAM GOLD OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE; BURTON JOSEPH AND BENJAMIN EPSTEIN OF THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI BRITH; AND THEODORE MANN AND ALBERT CHERNIN OF THE NATIONAL JEWISH COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL. LEWIS

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